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| 4.  | Rajasthan      | 6500 | 6800 | 6550 | 6850 | 7000 | 7150 | 7500 | 76 |
| 5.  | J & K          | 6500 | 6800 | 6500 | 6800 | 6680 | 7000 | 6680 | 70 |
| 6.  | Delhi          | 6400 | 6700 | 6700 | 7000 | 6740 | 7060 | 6740 | 70 |
| 7.  | Maharashtra    | 6300 | 6600 | 6450 | 6750 | 6630 | 6950 | 7130 | 74 |
| 8.  | Gujarat        | 6300 | 6600 | 6450 | 6750 | 6630 | 6950 | 7130 | 74 |
| 9.  | Madhya Pradesh | 6300 | 6600 | 6450 | 6750 | 6630 | 6950 | 7130 | 74 |
| 10. | West Bengal    | 6300 | 6600 | 6450 | 6750 | 6630 | 6950 | 7130 | 74 |
| 11. | Bihar          | 6300 | 6600 | 6450 | 6750 | 6630 | 6950 | 7130 | 74 |
| 12. | Orissa         | 6350 | 6650 | 6450 | 6750 | 6630 | 6950 | 7130 | 74 |
| 13. | Tamil Nadu     | 6300 | 6600 | 6450 | 6750 | 6630 | 6950 | 7130 | 74 |
| 14. | Karnataka      | 6300 | 6600 | 6450 | 6750 | 6630 | 6950 | 7130 | 74 |
| 15. | Andhra Pradesh | 6300 | 6600 | 6450 | 6750 | 6630 | 6950 | 7130 | 74 |
| 16. | Kerala         | 6300 | 6600 | 6450 | 6750 | 6630 | 6950 | 7130 | 74 |

\*The price of rice for port towns and areas within 50 Kms thereof, will be Rs. 50/- per tonne less than the Export price.

[English]

#### Handicapped Development Corporation

1705. SHRI NAMDEO DIWATHE :  
SHRI SANAT MEHTA :

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have set up a Handicapped Development Corporation;

(b) if so, the details of the schemes formulated so far by the Corporation for the economic upliftment of the handicapped persons;

(c) details of the progress reported under each of the schemes, State-wise; and

(d) the details of the other major projects undertaken by the Corporation and the progress reported thereunder ?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation has been set up as a Company not for profit under Section 25 of the Companies Act, 1956, w.e.f. 24th Jan., 1997. Action to formulate schemes, guidelines, etc., has been initiated.

#### Conference of State Ministers of Animal Husbandry

1706. DR. ASIM BALA : Will the Minister of ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING be pleased to state :

(a) whether a conference of State Ministers of Animal Husbandry and Dairying was held recently;

(b) if so, whether emphasis was given there at to develop the livestock sector; and

(c) if so, the details thereof alongwith other points discussed and decisions taken at the conference ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAGHUVANS PRASAD SINGH) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The conference broadly discussed the draft national livestock policy and approach to livestock development during the Ninth Plan. The major decisions and recommendations of the conference are given below:

1. The conference broadly endorsed the national livestock policy.
2. The conference strongly recommended for the establishment of an Indian Council of Veterinary Research.
3. The conference recommended for setting up of 60,000 additional artificial insemination centres for effective cross breeding programmes for upgradation of genetic potential and the productivity level of indigenous livestock.
4. The conference recommended for formation of one lakh dairy cooperatives in areas not covered under Operation Flood Programme.